



United States Department of the Interior  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
Washington, DC 20240

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February 6, 2019

Via email: [foia@americanoversight.org](mailto:foia@americanoversight.org)

Austin R. Evers  
Executive Director  
American Oversight

Hart Wood  
Staff Attorney

Dear Mr. Evers,

On January 28, 2019, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

All records reflecting costs reimbursed or paid directly by your agency for any reimbursable expenses attributable to any political appointee. Payments or reimbursements include any payments associated with travel (including the travel of any staff or security detail assigned to a political appointee), long-term housing, the cost of government transportation, individual airfare for government employees and/or their spouses, lodging, meals, per diem payments, rental vehicles, overtime payments, payments made via government-issued charge cards or travel cards, or any other reimbursable expenses.

“Political appointee” should be understood as any person who is a Presidential Appointee with Senate Confirmation (PAS), a Presidential Appointee (PA), a Noncareer SES, or a Schedule C employee GS-13 or higher.

American Oversight seeks all records from December 21, 2018, through January 25, 2018.

On February 6, 2019, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA. The records you have requested would likely be maintained by the United States Park Police (USPP). As such, we recommend that you submit this request to that agency’s FOIA office at the following address:

United States Park Police  
1100 Ohio Drive SW  
Washington, DC 20242  
Phone: (202) 216-7385  
Website: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/uspp/foia-requests.htm>

This completes the Office of the Secretary’s response to your request.

Mr. Austin Evers

If you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by e-mail at [os\\_foia@ios.doi.gov](mailto:os_foia@ios.doi.gov) or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, DC 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka.

Sincerely,

**CLARICE JULKA**

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